NATIONAL AMATEUR REGATTA.

First Day of the Tournament on the Laureate Course.

Grand Attendance and Exciting Events.

The Argonautas the Winners of the First Heat and the Beaverwycks the Second Heat of the Four-Oared Race.

Roach the Victor in the First Heat of the Single Seull Contest.

TROY, Sept. 3, 1874. Good weather, good racing and good manageembined to make very successful the first day of the second annual regatta of the National octation of Amateur Oarsmen on the Laureate course. Much of the interest which clung around the occasion was due to the fact that all of the four-oared crews had but recently met at Saratoga, and the result on the lake being so unexpected there was great desire to test the new and unknown rival, the Beaverwycks, in another contest. Not only this. but the other contests arew together many spectators from far and near, so that along the course this morning the attendance was commensurate with the important character of the national meeting and the zeal displayed by the projectors in providing the citizens of Troy and all who chose attend so interesting an exhibition of skill with the oar, backed up by pluck and endurance. Along the eastern bank of the Hudson, up and down so far as the course extends, there was a danse mass of humanity, and on the balconies of the Ulysses and Laureate club houses and Waters' boat factory the elegant and lovely ladies of this city and Albany were packed so closely that moving around must have been at-tended with the destruction of much that was valuable in the line of siks and laces. Again, on the western bank, though the sun was quite bright, there were long lines of vehicles, and from the windows of the lew pretty residences there peered with anxious eyes throngs of ladies and their escorts, and ever and anon from the crowds on either side of the river general shouts of encouragement were waited to the oarsmen as they paddled about the starting point. It had been arranged that upon this, the opening

day, the trial heats, one and a half miles each, for fours, pairs and singles, should be rowed, the final, heats to fill out the programme to-morrow. The water was a little lumpy in the morning, but the weather was the very pink of perfection, the heat on the river being sufficiently tempered by the cooling breeze to render outdoor exercises plea-Tugs for the referee, starter and officials were provided, as also a large barge for the purpose of taking the shells of the competing oarsmen to the starting point, and these lest the Laureate boat house promptly at the time announced. The captains of those boats were notified that they would be required to keep out of the way of all contestants, when with the crowds cheering, the band playing and the bright skies and glinting sunshine seeming to cheer on the soon-to-be-engaged oarsmen, the crews named for the initial contest were assigned to the po-sitions below given, No. 1 being nearest the eastern or Lansingburg shore of the river:—

Four Oared Race-First Heat. NO. L .- ARGONAUTA CLUB, OF BERGEN POINT.

Weight of crew, 603 lbs.

Octor shell Bachellor, built by George Roahr
New York; length, 41 feet 6 inches; beam, 17
inches; depth, 8% inches; weight, 90 lbs.

Color, red. No. 2.—Wah-wah-sum Club, OF SAGINAW CITY

Weight of crew, 605 lbs.

Paper shells D. H. Jerome and Saginaw, built by Waters & Son, Troy, N. Y.; length, 41 feet; beam, 18 incaes; depth, 8 incaes; weight, 115 lbs; sliding seats; length of sweeps, 12 feet; weight of do, 28 lbs.

Total displacement, 748 lbs.

W. K. Williamson. Stroke 26 6.014 173 405 1232 Weight of crew, 647 lbs. Codar shell J. R. Shute, built by James McKay, Barlem, N. Y.; length, 41 feet 6 inches; beam, 21 inches; depth, 9 inches; weight, 140 lbs.; sliding seats; length of sweeps, 12 leet 6 inches; weight of do., 21 lbs.

Total displacement, 768 lbs.

Color, blue.

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Total displacement, 768 lbs.

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FOUR-OARED RACE—FIRST HEAT.

The wind about one o'clock hauled to the westward, and, blowing up the course, ruffied it badly, making terrible work for the oarsmen, but the referee, Ar. Frank Bacon, o' the Nashua clud, decided to start them on their mission, and at thirty-five minutes past two, after the customary warning, gave the word. Obedient to the mandate, each o' the dozen athlette rowers threw into their bronzed arms all the propelling power of which they were capable, while the spectators gazed anxiously upon the fiying sails, hoping to see their favorites gain an advantage over their rivals. This pleasure was vouchsafed those whose sympathies were with the Bergen Pointers; for, jumping away with the lead at 40 to the minute, they had pulled the nose of their craft iarenough ahead, after going an eignith of a mile, to admit of Smith diverging to the westward across the bows of the Wah-wah-sums and Gramercies, the latter having it nip and tuck all the way. Hall a mile down the Argonautas had three lengths the advantage, and now reduced their stroke to 36, where they held it to the faish. Sparting with a vim going by the mouth of the Mohawk, the Gramercies led the Western men a length, but this was held only a short time, as the latter answered their spirz and, pegging away for dear life, their shelds were head and nead for almost half a mile. The lads from New Jersey all this while were not called upon to turn on full steam, an easy-going stroke taking them to the winning point three lengths ahead of their game competitors. Time, on, 36%s. The Wan-wah-sums and Gramercies made a dead heat for second place in 9m, 46%s., although Williamson says that they beat the Western men half a length.

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Color, red.

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length of sweeps, 12 feet; weight of each, 6 ths.

Total displacement, 805 lbs.

Color, white.

FOUR-OARED RACE—SECOND HEAT.

The water had become quite smooth when the Atalantas and Beaverwycks pulled to their starting places. The word was given at 3h. 21m., when the New Yorkers bounced off with the lead magnificently at the astonishing stroke of forty-lour to the minute. They surprised the Albany lads, and before going 200 yards had a clear boat's length between them. This they continued over hair a mile, when the erratic steering of the Atalantas lost them their advantage, and from this time the victors of the Saratoga race pulled away from them, and, with a strong thirty-six, took it calmiy and shot their shell over the score five lengths in govance. Beaverwyck's time, sin, 52%s.; Atalanta's time, 9m. 08%s. It will be remembered that the water was smooth during this heat, and the wind had died away.

Single Scull Contest—First Heat.

depth, 6 inches; weight, 40 lbs.; length of scuils, 10 leet; weight of each, 4 lbs.

Total displacement, 208 lbs.

Color, red.

No. 2.—DAVID ROACH, GRAMERCY BOAT CLUB.

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Paper boat Addie S., built by Waters & Son, 1roy, N. Y. Length, 26 feet; beam, 11 inches; depth, 5 inches; weight, 28% lbs.; sliding seat; length of scuils, 9 feet 7 inches; weight of each, 4 lbs.

Total displacement, 154½ lbs.

Color, white.

No. 3.—C. C. MYERS, CEDAR BLUFF ROWING CLUB.

Age. Height. Weight. Indused Chest. Upper Arm.
25 25% 18 38% 19 lbs.

Paper boat, built by Waters & Son, Troy, N. Y.
Length, 28 feet; beam, 9 inches; depth, 5½ inches; weight, 30 lbs.; sliding seat; length of scuils, 10 feet 2 inches; weight of scuils, 7 lbs.

Total displacement, 183 lbs.

Color, blue.

SINGLE SCULL—FIRST HEAT.

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SINGLE SCULL—FIRST HEAT.

A squall from the northwest now treated the carsmen to a dose of rain, but fulling after a white the single scullers, Roach and Myers, were called to the starting line and sent away. Whison withdrew because he could not obtain a boat. Roach caught the water quickest, and in a trice was a length ahead. At the nail-imite point this was increased to three, and, pulling easy, Davy came home the winner by four or five lengths. Roach's time, 10m. 19½s.; Myers', 10m. 32s.

The squall now repeated its visit with increased fary and continued until dark. The second heat of the single sculls and the pair-cared race were postponed until to-morrow morning at ten o'clock. There is much excitement as to the probable winners of the final heat of the lours 10-morrow. The Argonautas are slightly the favorites over the Beaverwycks.

THE CALEDONIAN CLUB.

Scottish Games at Lion Park-Full Record of the Events Announced and the Winners.

The Eighteenth annual games of the New York Caledonian Club attracted fully 25,000 people to Liou Park yesterday. At as early an hour as seven A. M. the members of the Caledonian Club assembled at the rooms of the association, No. 118 Sullivan street. Members of clubs throughout the United States and Canadas wno had decided to take part with the New York club in the celeoration of the Scottish games joined in the procession which was formed, and marched in full Highland dress to Jackson square, where special cars were in readiness to convey the party to Lion Park. The command of the procession was delegated to Mr. John S. Dingwall, First Chieftain, gated to Mr. John S. Dingwall, First Chieftain, Chief Henry G. Thompson having proceeded to the grounds in advance, in order to have everything in order for the day's amusement.

The games were in order aiter an old fashioned Scotch reel had been danced, the first event on the programme being the leat of putting the heavy sione (21 pounds), which was won by John Anderson, he having hurled the missile 35 feet 7 inches. The standing jump prize was won by Mr. A. Kanney, distance vicet 5% inches. The victors in the other events were as follows:—Running jump, Thomas Buchan, distance 18 feet 7 inches; short race, 100 yards, won by James Harvey, of Montreal,

Them as Buchan, distance is feet 7 inches; short race, 100 yards, won by James Harvey, of Montreat, in 11 seconds; throwing the heavy nammer (16 pounds, exclusive of handle), won by A. McKay, distance accomplished 86 feet 4 inches; standing high leap, won by George Goldie, distance jumped 4 feet 7 inches. The broadsword dance was won by Mr. L. D. Robertson. The feat of throwing the heavy weight (56 pounds) was accomplished against all competitors by Mr. J. A. Fullerton; distance 21 feet 8 inches. The long race, twice around the circle, was won by James Harvey in 68 seconds. The boys! race, for members! sons only, was won by Thomas Granick. The first walking match of one mite was won by Mr. J. A. Henderson. The prize for the Highland fling was won by Mr. Niven.

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The event of the day, upon which much money was wagered, was won by Mr. Harvey, of Montreal.

Ar. Downing, of the New York Caledonian Club, was the favorite, and kept the lead until the last quarter, when, uniortunately, he stumbled, and thus lost the race. The sack race, which was a Source of much amusement, was won by Mr. A. Buchan. The prize for the best bagpipe playing was won by Mr. Cleiland. The amusing game of throwing the light hammer (12 pounds), which nearly resulted in taking the reporter's head off, was won by Mr. Alexander McKay, he having thrown the light hammer 102 leet 3 inches. The games were open to members of the Caledonian societies throughout the United States and Canadas, and as the prizes were liberal the entries were more numerous than on any previous celebration. A brass band was in attendance, and the magnitude of the assemblage can be estimated when it is stated that as many as 450 sets were dancing on the floor at one time.

THE GREAT BACKET MATCH.

The English game of rackets, though a very popular one with our cousins across the Atlantic, cems never to have attained to any great degree of favor in this country. Some lew years ago Mr. William Devoy opened a racket court in this city in Thirteenth street, and for a while it was well patronized by many of our leading citizens; but the in terest soon died out and the racket court closed One of Mr. Devoy's pupils, however, Mr. James Moore, took pleasure enough in the game to keep it up on a small scale, and he it was who played the match yesterday with his old teacher. The game was played at McQuade's Racket and Hand Ball Court, No. 464 Madison street, the only place of the sind now in the city, and in fact the only one of any importance in the country. The match was for \$500 a side, and was witnessed by an immense number of the lovers of the game, prominent among whom were many ladies. The game was to be the best three in five, of which the following is the score:

First game—James Moore scored 15 points, the full amount; William Devoy scored 12 points. Second game—Moore scored 15 points, Devoy scored 9 One of Mr. Devoy's pupils, however, Mr. James

First game—James Moore scored 15 points, the full amount; William Devoy scored 15 points. Second game—Moore scored 15 points, Devoy scored 9 points. Third game—Moore scored 15 points, Devoy scored 5 points. Moore was loudly applauded for his excelent playing, and the money was at once awarded him.

A double handed match then took place between Messrs. Keating and Moore on the one side, and Messrs. Devoy and Fitzpatrick on the other. The game was won by the former gentlemen with the following score:

First game—Keating and Moore, 15 points; Devoy and Fitzpatrick, 11 points. Second game—Keating and Moore, 15 points; Devoy and Fitzpatrick, 12 points. Third game—Keating and Moore, 15 points; Devoy and Fitzpatrick, 13 points. This game was for \$250 a side.

Messrs. Barney McQuade and James Keating, of Dublin, then engaged Arthur McQuade and Tom Cook in a game of handoal for a purse of \$250. The game was won by McQuade and Keating with the following score:—

First game—McQuade and Keating, 21 points; McQuade and Cook, 10 points. Second game—McQuade and Keating, 21 points; McQuade and Keating, 21 points; McQ

FIRE AT MILFORD, PA.

Narrow Escape of Summer Residents-The Sawkill House in Imminent Danger-The Loss and Insurance. MILFORD, Sept. 3, 1874.

At an early hour yesterday morning a fire was discovered in this place in a building occupied by Finger & Van Etten as a cry goods store and wife and child, had rooms also in the building. The fames had made such progress when discovered that the building was entered only with extreme difficulty and danger. Great excitement prevailed for some time, as it was supposed that the family of Mr. Mott were in their room. Fortunately every member of the ramily was absent at the time. A lew feet from the building in which the fire originated was the residence of Mrs. Ann Wells, and opposite are the Sawkill House and Mrs. Salmon's cottage. Mrs. Wells' house, besides the regular inmates, was

Total displacement, 920 lbs. or 941 lbs.

No. 2.—BEAVERWYCE CLUS, OF ALBANY.

Inducted Upper

Nome. Position. Agr. Reight. Weight. Chest. Agr.

J. Wilson. Bow. 26 6300 lb4 35% 137

J. J. Gorman. No. 2 25 6405 lb5 58 13

Weight of crew, 656 lbs.

Cedar shell E. D. Ransom, built by Thomas
Fearon, Yonkers, N. Y. Length, 41 feet; beam, 20 inches; depth. 85 lbs.

Color, White.

Foll-Oarbor, 185 lbc. 850 lbs.

Color, white.

Foll-Oarbor agriculture of each, 6 lbs.

Total displacement, 805 lbs.

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TROTTING AT GOSHEN.

CLOSE OF THE EXTRA MEETING

A LARGE ATTENDANCE.

FOUR SPIRITED TROTTING CONTESTS.

May Bud, Carrie, Adelaide and Mary A. Whitney the Winners.

The trots unfinished on Wednesday were decided yesterday morning. We annex details and a full summary of each event :-

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GOSHEN PARK ASSOCIATION—EXTRA MEETING—
SECOND DAY, Sept. 2 and 3.—Purse \$800, for horses that have never beaten 2:40; \$400 to the first, \$175 to the second, \$125 to the third and \$100 to the fourth. Mine heats, best three in five, in harness.

BNTRIES.

G. Walker's bik, m. May Bud. ... 2 6 1 1 2 1 A. A. Einstein's bik, g.Black Crook 1 1 2 5 5 6 E. P. Ryer's ch. m. Lady Bonner. ... 5 4 6 2 1 3 W. S. Thom's br. g. Phi O'Neil, Jr. 3 2 3 8 3 2 Cark Smith's O. g. Ed. Smith. ... 4 5 7 3 4 5 Robert James' b. g. Rival. ... 7 3 4 4 7 7 M. H. Woltpbels b. m. Lady White. 8 9 5 6 6 4 A. Goldsment S. g. Rescue. ... 6 7 8 7 8 dr

A. Goldsm '8 g. g. Rescue ... 6 7 8 7 8 dr H. Heckenberry's b. g. Passatc. ... 9 8 dis, H. Casev s r. m. Rosa conberg ... dis, E. C. Swan's cb. g. Ben Eutrer ... dr. Ed. E. Allen's br. m. Laura ... dr.

First heat. 40
Second heat 30
Third heat 49
Fourth heat 40
First heat 42
Sixth heat 42 2:36 2:36% THE TROT. Sixth Heat .- May Bud took the lead to the quarter pole, passing that point in 40 seconds, Black Crook second, Lady White third, the others trail-

1:19, May Bud showed the way, Black Crook second, Phil O'Neil third. May Bud coming steadily on won the heat easily in 2:39, Phil O'Neil second, Lady Bonner third, Lady White fourth, Ed Smith fifth, Black Crook sixth, Rival seventh. May Bud won first money, Black Crook second. Bonner third and Phil O'Neil fourth. SAME DAYS .- Purse \$1,000, for horses that have never beaten 2:31; \$500 to the first, \$250 to the

second, \$150 to the third and \$100 to the fourth horse. Mile heats, best three in five, in harness.

HaV. 1:16 1:15 1:17½ 1:18 1:15 1:15

THE TROT. Fifth Heat.—Molsey was first to the quarter pole, in 37% seconds, and to the half-mile pole in 1:15; but then Carrie went to the front and won the heat easily in 2:3234. Berkshire Boy second, George B. Daniels third, William Turnbuil fourth, Catskill finh, Moisey sixth. The three last named were then sent to the stable for not winning a heat in

sixth Heat .- Carrie ied to the quarter pole in 3714 seconds, Molsey and Berkshire Boy close together. Carrie showed the way to the half-mile pole, in 1:15, Molsey second, Berksbire Boy third. The mare ket the lead to the end, winning easily in hand, in 2:32%. Molsey second, Berkshire Boy third. Carrie won first prize, Molsey second, Berkshire Boy third, Turnbull fourth.

Then followed the regular business of the day. which was two trots, the first for norses that had never beaten 2:50 and the second for those of the 2:28 class, both mile heats, best three in five, in barness. There were sixteen entries for the first, eleven of which came to the post. There were five starters for the second race. The following are the details o, the trotting as it

progressed:-The First Trot.

First Heat .- T. J. Stevens was first away, Gray Dan second, Hickory third, Andrew fourth, Gentle Annie fifth, the others in a bunch. At the quarter pole which was passed in 40 seconds, Gray Dan led a head, Hickory second, two lengths in front of T. J. Stevens, Adelaide fourth, Lady Sill fifth, the others training. At the half-mile pole-time 1:19%-Gray Dan showed the way, Hickory second, T. J. Stevens third, Fanny W. fourth, Ludy Sin fifth, the others dropping back. ed all the way around to Stevens, but the latter was placed first on account of Gray Dan having done considerable running during the heat. Hickory was third, Lady sill lourth, Adelaide fith, Fanny W. sixth, Cheston seventh, Gentle Annie eighth, Andrew ninth, Emilie C. and Neille Rutherlord distanced. Time

inc C. and Neile Rutherlord distanced. Time 2:39%.

Second Heat.—T. J. Stevens was a greater favorite than he was before the start. He was now the choice over the field. The horses had a scramban start. Gray Dan dirst, Hickory second, T. J. Stevens third. Adelaide fourth, Lady Sill filth, Fanny W. sixth, Gented Annie seventh, Andrew eighth, Cheston minth. At the quarter pole, which was passed in 49% seconds, Gray Dan led by a neck. T. J. Stevens second, a head in front of lady Sil, Adelaide filth, Fanny W. sixth, Gented Annie seventh, Cheston legath, Andrew hinth. At the hair-mile pole, which was passed in 120%, T. J. Stevens was a neck in front, Lady Sill second, half a length ahead of Adelaide, the latter being half a length in tront of Gray Dan. who was half a length in advance of Fanny W., the others far behind. Going to the three-quarter pole. Adelaide frojted very last and passed at the others, snowing in front at that point. Sie then came away and won the beat by lour lengths, in 2:37%. Lady Sill was second. Hickory third, J. J. Stevens logarin, Gray Dan fifth, Fanny W. sixth, Gentre Annie seventh, Andrew eighth, and Cheston muth.

Third Heat.—Adelaide was flist away. T. J. Stevens of the lighth, Gentle Annie seventh, Andrew eighth, Gentle Was flist away. T. J. Stevens of the high second, one length anne eighth, Gentle Annie seventh, Genter Del Hickory was two lengths. Act the Annie seventh, Genter Del Hickory, Start, Andrew seventh, Genter Del Hickory, Stevens Jourth, Gray Dan ourth, Panny W. sith, Andrew sixth, Cheston seventh, Genter Annie eighth, Genter Annie eighth, Andrew seventh, Genter Annie eighth, T. J. Stevens hinth. Time, o seconds. Going to the histone pole delaide trotted to the front and led three lengths at that point, Lady Sill second, one length anne eighth, Andrew seventh, Gentle Annie eighth, Andrew nith. Time o hear, 2:38.

Fourth Heat.—T. J. Stevens was six the point, Heat.**—T. J. Stevens was first away. Gray Dan fitth, Fanny W. sixth, Cheston seventh, Gentle Annie eighth.

fourth horse; mile heats, best three in five, in nar-

M. H. Whipple's b. m. Adelaide... 5 1
A. Straus' s. h. T. J. Stevens 1 4
Thos. Bradley's br. g. Hickory 3 8
P. Canom's b. m. Lady Sill 4 2
F. P. Smith's g. g. Gray Dan 2 5
G. H. Simoons' br. g. Cheston... 7 9
J. J. Anderson's b. m. Fannie W. 6 6
J. A. Decker's b. m. Gentle Annie 8
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H. B. Dekkay's b. m. Neine Rutherford... 6
iis. lord dis. R. Cadugan's g. m. Emily C. dis. R. Cadugan's g. m. Emily C. dis. E. C. Swan's Cu. g. Romey. dr. A. A. Einstein's bik. g. Biack Crook dr. R. Steele's b. m. Lady Gooding. dr. A. Goldsmith's s. g. John A. dr. Ben. Mace's b. m. Mioget. dr.

First heat. Quarter.

Second heat. 40%
Third heat. 40
Fourth heat. 40
Fitth heat. 40
Sixth heat. 40 The Second Trot.

At the half-mile pole, which was passed in

31.
Fourth Heat.—Annie Collins led, George B. Dan-Fourth Heat.—Annie Collins led, George B. Daniels second, Mary A. Whitney third, Lady Byron lourth. At the quarter pole Daniels led a neck, in 33½ seconds, Mary A. Whitney second, lour lengths in advance of Annie Collins, who was four lengths ahead of Lady Byron. Mary A. Whitney trotted very last the next quarter of a mile and was fifteen lengths ahead of Lady Byron at the hall-mile pole. In 1:15; Annie Collins third, George B. Daniels iar behind. Mary broke on her way to the three-quarter pole, but she soon caught, and going on, won the beat by half a dozen lengths, Lady Collins second, Lady Byron third, George B. Daniels distanced. Time, 2:33.

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SAME DAY.—Purse \$1,000, for horses that have never beaten 2:25; \$500 to the first, \$250 to the second, \$150 to the third and \$100 to the fourth norse, mile heats, best three in five, in harness,

First heat. 3734
Second heat. 3834
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Fourth heat. 3934

COTTON CONVIVIALITIES.

Exeursion in Honor of the Convention-Hell Gate Visited-A Trip up the Hudson to West Point-Speeches, Merrymaking, &c. Yesterday the excursion took place of the Cotton

Exchange of this city. As before stated in these columns the gentlemen composing the organiza tion adjourned in order to participate in the festivities in honor of their guests of the National Cotton Convention, who had been holding their sessions in New York, to establish an American standard by which all sales and purchases of cotton should be governed. The steamer Shady Side had been secured, and at a little after ten o'clock in the morning she lest pier No. 22 East river with about two hundre men on board, comprising the entire delegation of the Cotton Convention, prominent members of the New York Exchange and a few invited guests and members of the press. The morning was bright and beautiful, although exceedingly warm, and the company assembled wore a happy air, in perfect harmony with the festive occasion. There were congratulations exchanged among the mem-bers of the delegation that their arduous labors were so harmoniously ended, and congratulations among the different members of the Exchange toat the cause of so much trade confusion was likely to be ended by the action of the convention, which was binding on every exchange in the country. As

ended by the action of the Convention, which was binding on every exchange in the country. As the steamer left her dock there was a jolly "send off" from Irlends on shore, and to the tune of "Dixie"—played by a band on board—the Shady Side gladed out into the stream and was soon speeding past Blackwell's Island to Hell Gate. The different institutions were pointed out to the visitors and they seemed to take a great interest in every prominent object.

At about cleven o'clock Astoria was reached. A procession of the pleasure seekers was formed and proceeded to the government works at Hell Gate, under charge of General Newton. The removal of these vast submarine obstructions was explained very clearly to the guests by the General in charge, and most of the company entered the shafts sunk under the East River, and were toud in their expressions of admiration of the the scientific achievements of the engineers. General Newton accompanied the excursionists on board of their boat and was one of the guests during the rest of the excursion.

Proceeding up the Hudson River, the guests admiring greatly the myriad beauties of the river, west Point was reached about three o'clock, a run of only three hours from New York.

Among the notable gentlemen on hoard the steamer beside the delegation—whose names have aiready been given in the Hrall—were the following members of the New York Cotton Exchange: Messrs. Henry Hentz, President; B. P. Baker, Chairman Committee of Reception; A. B. Graves, M. B. Pieding, A. G. Black, Philip Henry, Thomas Patterson, A. J. Macanley, Samuel Warne, Edward Leverich, William Woodward, Jr.; T. J. Slaughter, C. Walsh, Jr.; C. A. Easton, E. R. Powers, Superintendent Cotton Exchange; George Cornwall, Robert Renner and others. Before the boat reached West Point a meeting was organized on the upper deck of the steamer, at which configratulatory resolutions were adopted by the delegations to the Convention.

After these resolutions were presented there were congratulatory speeches by alesses. Fleidling,

FALL FASHIONS.

When the Birds of Fashion Homeward Fly.

NEW STYLES AND MATERIALS.

The Numerous Accessories of a Lady's Toilet in the Olden Time.

The return of the birds of fashion from their de vious flights during the summer on the beach, among the mountains, in Europe and around the Springs, bas created quite a futter among the modestes, and new plumage is being devised and prepared for them. The openings or exhibitions of new modes at the leading house s this fall will be somewhat earlier than usual, a few establishments having already thrown open their doors to their fair patrons. What a change a few seasons have brought around in the realms of fashion! Dress improvers of all kinds, hooped skirts and the like have disappeared, and the clinging skirts of the present day are upt to give a scarecrow look to very tall and thin figures when not judiciously adapted. Even hats and bonnets possess not a particle in common with their predecessors of a few years ago. The change is, in many respects, a happy one, as there is a greater degree of latitude permitted in taste and more regard for adaptability observed. Ladies generally consult their own individual taste now in solving the vital question "what to wear." The endless variety of styles and materials enables them to do this effectually and the cunning art of the modiste has reached its most successful point. AUTUMN HUES AND MATERIALS. The approach of the "melancholy days," when

the earth will be strewn with rustling leaves and the sward will change its verdancy for the yellow hue of autumn, is indicated in many of the new shades. There is the puce, dark gray; also the "Byron," prune; "Carmelite," reddish brown; "Violetta," the same in still darker shades: "Aca ion," manogany brown, and "Sylene," a new pur-There is also a new shade of garnet, called "Cinéraire," and "Iris," a new prune color. All these are very dark. There are also peculiar snades in silks coming under the general name of "Vendanges," wine colors or vintage hues, the The most elegant winter silks are deen brown. blue, maroon, plum, claret, gray and green. Navy blue will still retain the lavor it attained last season. In black silks-which can never lose their prestige-the heavy gros grain is yielding in the taste of the votaries of Jashion to those of the fine and soft finished order. The heavy silk fabric called "Matelassé," a rival to velvet, shows to advantage when made up in sleeveless jackets and can be procured in every color, and is rather expensive, reaching as high as \$10 a yard. Striped black silks are likely to be in demand this fall, and also novelties in colored silks, some of the latter being striped with cameo effect. In camel's hair goods there is an immense variety, the prevailing color being grays, browns and dark corus, and the same difference existing in texture. Merino, mohairs, alpacas and Empress cloth, at prices of all sorts, also claim attention. TRIMMINGS.

The rage for jet trimming continues unabated.

It is combined with black fringes, intertwined and variously united in myriad forms and presenting rare forms of beauty. Some fringes are entirely of jet, with a narrow passementeric heading. Black laces are glittering with the same, sometimes in tracings like the stem of a leaf and more frequently resembling dew drops. In Europe manufacturers are still at work upon the Yak laces in black, and are covering them with jet. But, popular as jet is and will be, the finest dealers, who make trimmings a specialty, have invested also in the "blue" steel. This, indeed, is the noveity proper of the season in the way of garniture, and will, undoubtedly, be parronized to a certain extent by the degantes, inas much as the effect is not so striking as to appear "loud." The blue is dark, and united as it frequently is with jet, the appearance is greatly subdued and shaded. Jet fringes of delicate patterns are intertwined strand with strand, one the blue steel, the other of the jet. Fine black laces are also strewn with blue steel. Passementerie is in highest lavor, but always combined with fine jet or steel beads. Flowered patterns are continued, and with graceful effect, but there is an evident tendency to depart from these ideas, in themselves preserable, and to give precedence to galloon patterns. Square, stiff designs, in some broad varieties presenting the appearance of a chess board; that is, in alternating squares of passementeric and spaces of equal size left vacant.

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Steel beads, gayly colored in red, yellow, light purple, blue and the like are used in emorolacred designs upon colored silks for house wear, although the promoned effect will hardly be regarded with lasting favor. Embroidery will be very fashionable, especially in wootlen goods, where it will principally be used in two colors, harmonizing with the idea of shaded coatumes. An effort will be made to revive the popularity of satin as a dress trimming.

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refleved by the introduction of a light color, which should always, however, be effective in that harmonious blending which is in a tasteful costume a prime requisite. Sometimes two or three shades of the same color are blended in the same nat and occasionally several different colors. One new bonnet, the Demorest, had a soft crown of pearl colored gros grain, the remainder of black velvet, except the rolling vine in front, which displays a shirring of the pearl colored sik, to which a thick quilling of Valenciennes is added. A delicate pink rose and a pearl colored ostrich plume gave fluish to the bonnet.

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For the present we must content ourselves with dress materials and styles and bonnets, as the thousand and one accessories of the tollet, wince go towards the completion of a fabric of isshion, can scarcely be spoken of an est with a degree of creation may think the accessories of a lady's tollet are to-day, yet a great improvement has been made since the good old times of which the cynic writes:—"The five hours ago I set a dozen mades to attire a boy like a nice gentlewoman; but there is such doing with their looking glasses, pinning, unpinning, setting, unsetting, formings and unformings, painting bine veins and blooming cheeks; such a sift with sticks and combs, cascanets, dressings, juris, falls, squares, busks, bodice, scarls, necklaces, carcanets, rabatices, borders, tires, fans, palisadoes, puffs, ruffs, cuffs, muffs, puffes, suides, partiets, frislets, bandiets, lifets, and so many lets that he is scarcely dressed to farthingales, kirtles, busk points, shoe lies, &c., that seven pediers' snops, any, all Stourbridge fair, will scarcely furms them. A ship is so

THE JERSEY FREEHOLDERS.

Another Lively Scene Yesterday-Fresh Developments of Frauds-Important Communication From the Acting Di-rector-The Internal Revenue Law

The Board of Chosen Freeholders of Hudson county, N. J., held a meeting yesterday at the Court House in Jersey City, and the proceedings excited a good deal of attention on account of the recent revelations regarding the alleged malfeauance of one of its members and two of the former directors.

After some routine business was transacted the examination of bills took place. For keeping the county road in repair during the month of August the bill amounted to \$1,126. The price charged for teams and carts is most extravagant. Proposals were sent in by Messrs. O'Neill and Mc-Laugnin to furnish teams at \$2 a day each less than that now paid. This irritated some members, who, it is alleged, have an interest in the teams now employed, and the Board ordered that the present contractor lower his price or give way to others.

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Mr. Speer jumped up and said it could be purchased for \$40 and \$50 a set, yet the committee signed a claim for an extravagant price. Then came a lively preeze. The Board had directed the Joint Committee on County institutions to advertise for groceries and flour. The former was excluded from the advertisement, and certain members of the committee made the purchases to suit themselves as well as the county. Mr. Wickham denounced this business, saying that flour which was contracted for at \$7 a barrel was actually sold to the county for \$850. Mr. Ghoson said that the order of the Board having been disregarded the advertisement was mult and void. He protested against the acceptance of any of the proposals. Four of the budders stated that no such brand of flour existed as "Minnesota King." The object of advertising for this was evidently to secure a monopoly in the supply of flour. Air. Wickham said that under the present loose and extravagant administration eleven and a half cents a pound were paid for sugar which could be had for eight and a half cents. Mr. Schroeder, chairman of the committee that received this castigation, explained that he acced only in accordance with a resolution that a special committee be appointed to investigate the energes that certain persons, not thouses or offi-The sum of \$90 a set was claimed for harness.

The latter gentleman offered a resolution that a special committee be appointed to investigate the enarges that certain persons, not inmates or officers, were boarded at the county institutions. He said that not only was there a gross imposition on the county, but a direct violation of the United States Revenue law. Tobacco leaves were stripped and cigars manufactured at the Penitentiary, yet no duties were paid. He censured the warden (Hank Post) severely for connivance at this business. The resolution was adopted, and Messra, Wienger, Malone, O'Reilly, Stuter and Noonan were appointed as the committee.

The acting director, Mr. Young, handed to the clerk the following communication, which was read. The announcement of the attempt to corrupt Mr. Young caused the faces of some of the members to pale:—

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GENTLEMEN-in the early part of July I was called upon to act as director of your honorable body, during the absence of the permanent director, Mr. C. D. Throckthe absence of the permanent director, Mr. C. J. Throck-morton. In performing the duties pertaining to has office I have endeavored to protect the interests of the county in every particular. I have refused to sign warrants, as follows:—J. M. Patterson, 815: 93; J. Henderson, \$15: William Flamelly, \$80; illugh McGarren, \$413.33. The Patterson bill has two sets of harness charged to the Laustic Asylumin none month—one amore than was needed—and I believe the prices charged for the same to be exorbitant. The Flaunelly bill is for the services of a gardener for the Court House grounds, appointed by the Commistee on Public Grounds, without his name having been before the Board for confirmation. The inciderson bill is for a single coach hire for the same committee. The McCarren bill is for verestables supplied to the Lunault Asylum in July I find upon investigation that the county was paying from wenty-dive to thirty per cent more for these articles than they would cost if purchased elsewhere. In addition thereto Mr. McCarren called upon me on Pridaylast (August 28), in the morning, and again in the afternoon. At the last interview he grossly builted me by otering me money. Inasmuch as these bills have been before their respective commit tees, and also before the Analung Committee. I would suggest that they be referred to a special committee, that they be critically and thoroughly examined. Yours, respectfully.

B. F. C. YOUNG.

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Smith that a committee be appointed to confer
with the city authorities and the Central Railroad
Company with regard to the building of a bridge
over the Mrris Canai at the loot of Washington
street.

After a long course of balloting, Mr. Thomas
Byrnes was appointed Superintendent of Papilic
Buildings in place of C. W. Allen.

No reference was made to the charges against
Coyle, The committee will have to report at the
meeting next Thursday. One of the members of
the committee said yesterday that they had been
advised by the legal adviser of the Board, Mr. Lippincott, that even if the charges are proved the
Board will have no power to expel Coyle. The
committee have proofs in their possession star
more startling than those already made public.

THE CARRIER'S VOICE.

NEW YORK, August 30, 1874. TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD:-

Every lew days there appears an article in your widely circulated journal commending to the public our present Postmaster. Thomas L. James, who is without doubt the best Postmaster for the public interest that has ever filled that position but would it be unkind to ask you, who have given so much space to him, to say a word for those who Cornwill, Robert Renner and others. Before the boat renners divest from a meeting was organized on the sipper deck of the steamer, at which congratuatory secondations were adopted by the congratuatory secondations were adopted by the most properly applied to a plain, round, tight diversely applied to a plain, round, tight library and the first free secondations were operated there were congratuatory specifications. First first free secondations were operated there were congratuatory specifications. First first free secondations were operated there were congratuatory specification of continues and the secondation of the secondation o periorm the labor for which he gets such flattering